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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF  
May 23, 2005**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of May 23, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.